



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE  
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Dear ~~Mr. Lederberg~~:

On behalf of Secretary Celebreeze, I thank you for your recommendations of January 6 on using pre-induction examinations for improving health statistics. I have called them to the attention of the Public Health Service (which has a leading role in the manpower conservation program).

The technical reports on the manpower conservation program now available to us are not directly nor fully responsive to your question. I am requesting the Public Health Service to include your suggestion in its further development of the health aspects of the program.

Sincerely yours,

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